

Message

From: Kim, Lena [Kim.Lena@epa.gov]
Sent: 12/2/2020 9:20:07 PM
To: Pratt, Stacie [Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov]; Melvin, Karen [Melvin.Karen@epa.gov]
CC: Armstrong, Joan [Armstrong.Joan@epa.gov]; Rogers, Rick [rogers.rick@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: QUESTION FOR KAREN: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Karen- are we going with what you edited (below)?

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From: Pratt, Stacie
Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2020 3:45 PM
To: Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>; Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
Cc: Armstrong, Joan <Armstrong.Joan@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
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Ok – Sorry for the confusion on this, but there are actually only 2 facilities on this road. The other 2 are in another location

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Sorry about all this.

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Is there more than 1 plant on Sands Road?

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From: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
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Karen, do you want to approve this response to Sen. Elfreth's inquiry about Ex. 5 DP / Ex. 7(A)
Ex. 5 DP / Ex. 7(A) Stacie and I spoke, and this is what we propose:

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Cc: Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>; Armstrong, Joan <Armstrong.Joan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: NEW INQUIRY: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

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To: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
Cc: Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>; Armstrong, Joan <Armstrong.Joan@epa.gov>
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Stacie, Rick- we've been asked again by Sen. Elfreth's office about this issue, which you'll remember was last discussed in September.

QUESTION/REQUEST: do we have any updated information on this issue that is, of course, able to be shared with the public, eg not related to inspection status?

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From: Zieba, Kyle
Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2020 1:09 PM
To: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
Subject: NEW INQUIRY: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hi Lena,

I received an inquiry from Senator Elfreth's office today (12/2/2020) on this matter. Is there any publicly available information that we can share?

Thanks,
Kyle

From: Zieba, Kyle
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 8:44 AM
To: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>; Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FYI ONLY: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Yes, I plan to be reactive in providing updates as appropriate.

From: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 4:05 PM
To: Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>; Zieba, Kyle <Zieba.Kyle@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FYI ONLY: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Karen, thanks for sharing the concern and Cecil's answer- good reminder.

Kyle- unless I hear otherwise, can I assume that you're well aware of what we/EPA consider to be publicly available info as it relates to inspections?

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Cc: Mastro, Donna <Mastro.Donna@epa.gov>; Smith, William (Region 3) <smith.william@epa.gov>
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Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:38 PM
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Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>; Melvin, Karen <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>; Armstrong, Joan <Armstrong.Joan@epa.gov>

Subject: FYI ONLY: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Karen, Joan- see yellow highlight below, related to the topic Kyle just mentioned in our 11am OPA monthly meeting. FYI only.

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From: Zieba, Kyle <Zieba.Kyle@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 11:35 AM

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Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hey Folks,

I just heard back from Senator Elfreth's Chief of Staff (CoS). They would like us to keep the Senator informed about the two upcoming inspections as well as the findings from the IRL. Please keep me in the loop and I can provide updates to the Senator, as appropriate.

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Let me know.

Thanks,
Kyle

From: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 4:03 PM

To: Zieba, Kyle <Zieba.Kyle@epa.gov>; Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>

Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hi Kyle,

I have made a couple of revisions to the document like we had discussed. Please let me know if this version looks alright to you.

Thank you,

Jennie Brancho

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Also, what date did MDE initially refer this case to EPA and why?

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Cc: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
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Thanks folks.

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I will most likely send an email to the Senator with the bullets.

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Cc: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Stacie, Jennie- thank you- in my opinion, these fit the bill and I expect will more than adequately support Kyle in her reaching out.

Kyle- feel free to reach out directly to Jennie, copying me, with follow-up questions.

If not further questions (for now), we/ECAD would ask that you let us know when you respond to this inquiry (if by email, share that with us; if by phone call, let us know how that went for situational awareness).

Thx!

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Cc: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hi Lena and Kyle. Will this meet your needs? Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Please advise. Jennie is my POC for this matter. Kyle – You will be reaching out, correct?

Thanks.

From: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>
Cc: McLaughlin, Kaitlin <McLaughlin.Kaitlin@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Stacie, Kaitlin,

Attached is a draft of brief summary of the case so far. Ex. 5 DP / Ex. 7(A)
Ex. 5 DP / Ex. 7(A) All four are located in Anne Arundel County.

Thanks,

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From: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 11:28 AM
To: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>
Cc: McLaughlin, Kaitlin <McLaughlin.Kaitlin@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

You don't need much - Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) There no rush - Within the next few days.

Thanks.

From: Brancho, Jennie <Brancho.Jennie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 10:49 AM
To: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>

Cc: McLaughlin, Kaitlin <McLaughlin.Kaitlin@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hi Stacie,

I can try to pull something together. I have not been able to review the response to the 308 yet, but I'll see what I have. When do you need this by?

Thanks,

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Subject: FW: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Jennie – Please see the e-mail below. This is related to Horizon Management – Not sure which one, though. Can you help me pull together some bullets so that Kyle can provide to the Senator? We also may need some additional background from the State on this, but I'm not sure how much will be needed. If so, please coordinate with Kaitlin.

Thanks.

From: Zieba, Kyle <Zieba.Kyle@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 9:05 AM

To: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; McLaughlin, Kaitlin <McLaughlin.Kaitlin@epa.gov>

Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>

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A few bullets from your program folks with some context would be fine

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Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: QUESTION for KYLE: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Kyle, thanks. Pls let us know best approach to support your answer. Would it be:

- A few bullets from our pgm folks?
- A quick phone call/mtg with pgm contact?

Let us know,

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Thanks for looping me in, Lena.

OPA (i.e., State and Congressional Liaisons) responds to any questions from all elected officials based on the program's input.

From: Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
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Stacie, thanks for the heads up.

KYLE- pls advise on whether you would answer this question (below) with ECAD pgm input.

Thanks!

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From: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 8:43 AM

To: McLaughlin, Kaitlin <McLaughlin.Kaitlin@epa.gov>
Cc: Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>; Kim, Lena <Kim.Lena@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Hi Kaitlin. Do you know anything about this site?

Lena – How do we handle these types of request from Senator’s offices? Do we respond directly?

Thanks.

From: Elfreth, Sarah Senator <Sarah.Elfreth@senate.state.md.us>
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov>
Subject: Sands Rd in Anne Arundel County, MD

Dear Stacie and Rick,

I hope you are both having a great start to your week.

I am reaching out about an environmental issue we have in our state legislative district that we’d like an updated status on. In Sands Rd, in Anne Arundel County Maryland, there has been a compounding land fil, wastewater, and others that are not only causing a disruptive amount of truck traffic to the historically African American community, but they have had decades of health concerns.

Tyler Abbott from the MD Dept of Environment referred this case to you both and I would like to follow up to see it’s current status and if there’s anything we can do to assist or any additional information I can help provide.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Best,
Johntel

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